

Senate Resolution 1176

By: Senators Rogers of the 21st, Murphy of the 27th and Hill of the 32nd

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Reverend Dr. Johnny M. Hunt; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Reverend Dr. Johnny M. Hunt has spent a lifetime answering God's call to be
3 His messenger to do His will; and

4 WHEREAS, whether the task is preparing a sermon; visiting the sick; counseling the
5 troubled; baptizing a new believer; or acting as a theologian, educator, administrator, or
6 humanitarian, or any of the other countless responsibilities of a minister of the Gospel,
7 Reverend Hunt has shown the energy, devotion, and commitment truly reflective of divine
8 guidance; and

9 WHEREAS, Reverend Hunt is currently in his 24th year of service as pastor of First Baptist
10 Church of Woodstock; and

11 WHEREAS, under his guiding heart and gentle hands, baptisms, Sunday school attendance,
12 church membership, charitable giving, missionaries, and church starts have increased at
13 dramatic levels; and

14 WHEREAS, the unmatched spiritual assistance offered by Reverend Hunt is a source of
15 strength, inspiration, and direction for persons in all walks of life and from all economic
16 strata; and

17 WHEREAS, in addition to his pastorate ministry, Reverend Hunt is currently serving as
18 President of the Southern Baptist Convention for the 2009-2010 term; and

19 WHEREAS, the devotion, patience, and understanding that he and his wife, Janet, have
20 demonstrated provide the foundation and framework of success in which all of their family
21 members have developed and flourished for two descending generations as evidenced by
22 their two wonderful daughters and four delightful grandchildren; and

23 WHEREAS, this distinguished gentleman has given inspiration to many through his high
24 ideals, morals, and deep concern for his fellow citizens, and he possesses the vast wisdom
25 which only comes through experience and the strength of character which is achieved
26 through overcoming the many challenges of life; and

27 WHEREAS, he is a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation for
28 integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness, and by the example he has made of his life, he
29 makes this world a better place in which to live; it is only fitting and proper that he be
30 appropriately recognized during this very special and memorable time of his life.

31 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
32 commend Reverend Dr. Johnny M. Hunt for his unparalleled record of community service
33 and his innumerable good works rendered on behalf of persons in need; recognize the
34 lifelong, dynamic Christian Ministry of this devout and pious man; and extend to him their
35 most sincere best wishes for continued health and happiness.

36 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
37 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Reverend Dr. Johnny M. Hunt.